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TABLE 1
EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT IN SEPTEMBER 1987

NOTE: These labor force data are supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)	SEPTEMBER 1987	AUGUST 1987	JULY 1987	SEPTEMBER 1986
Total civilian labor force a/	13,823	13,775	13,819	13,492
Total civilian employment	13,026	13,036	13,064	12,623
Total unemployment	797	739	755	869
Seasonally adjusted rate (%)	5.8	5.4	5.5	6.4
Range b/	5.2-6.4	4.8-6.0	4.9-6.1	5.7-7.1
U.S. seasonally adjusted rate	5.9	6.0	6.0	7.0
UNADJUSTED (Amounts in thousands)				
Total civilian labor force a/	13,804	13,891	13,981	13,474
Total civilian employment	13,039	13,141	13,142	12,641
Total unemployment	765	751	839	833
Unadjusted rate (%)	5.5	5.4	6.0	6.2
Range b/	4.9-6.1	4.8-6.0	5.4-6.6	5.5-6.9

a/ Total labor force by place of residence, including workers involved in trade disputes. Employment includes self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers.
b/ Range as shown is at the 90% level of confidence.

HIGHLIGHTS California's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for September 1987 was 5.8 percent, up from the 5.4 percent in August of this year. A year ago in September 1986, the rate was 6.4 percent. Seasonally adjusted employment in California declined by 10,000 jobs, and unemployment rose by 58,000. The national civilian seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for September 1987 was 5.9 percent, down a tenth of a percent since August.

Total nonagricultural wage and salary employment, not seasonally adjusted, increased by 130,700 from 11,616,900 in August 1987 to 11,747,600 in September 1987. As workers returned to their schools for the new year, the education sector increased by 98,000 jobs. Agricultural employment grew by 13,800 jobs over the month; however, growth was smaller than seasonally expected. Manufacturing employment declined slightly over the the month primarily as a result of seasonal changes in the food processing industry. Durable goods manufacturing increased by 3,700 jobs over the month. Since September 1986 total wage and salary employment has increased by 366,700 jobs -- a gain of 3.2 percent over the year. Average weekly earnings in manufacturing were $436.19 during August 1987, up slightly from the previous month.

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TABLE 2
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF THE WORKING-AGE
POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA*
(Numbers in Thousands)
Data Are Not Seasonally Adjusted

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	SEPTEMBER 1987	AUGUST 1987	JULY 1987	SEPTEMBER 1986
Total				
Labor Force	13,804	13,891	13,981	13,474
Employed	13,039	13,141	13,142	12,641
Unemployed	765	751	839	833
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.4	6.0	6.2
Male, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	7,421	7,369	7,498	7,196
Employed	7,106	7,048	7,126	6,812
Unemployed	315	321	371	384
Unemployment Rate	4.2	4.4	5.0	5.3
Female, Age 20 and Over				
Labor Force	5,609	5,585	5,527	5,510
Employed	5,298	5,290	5,229	5,206
Unemployed	311	294	299	304
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.5
Both Sexes, Age 16-19				
Labor Force	774	938	956	769
Employed	636	802	787	625
Unemployed	139	136	169	144
Unemployment Rate	17.9	14.5	17.6	18.7
White				
Labor Force	11,621	11,768	11,915	11,519
Employed	11,043	11,212	11,246	10,888
Unemployed	578	557	669	631
Unemployment Rate	5.0	4.7	5.6	5.5
Nonwhite				
Labor Force	2,183	2,123	2,066	1,955
Employed	1,996	1,929	1,896	1,754
Unemployed	187	194	170	201
Unemployment Rate	8.6	9.2	8.2	10.3

*Data supplied by the U.S. Department of Labor from their current population survey. No comparable data are available for areas within California.

TABLE 3
EARNINGS AND HOURS* OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS
IN MANUFACTURING IN CALIFORNIA

Area	Average weekly earnings			Average hours per week			Average hourly earnings		
	AUG 1987	JUL 1987	AUG 1986	AUG 1987	JUL 1987	AUG 1986	AUG 1987	JUL 1987	AUG 1986
California	$436.19	$431.60	$417.84	40.5	40.0	40.1	$10.77	$10.79	$10.42

*Average hours and earnings are based upon data for full-time and part-time production and related workers in manufacturing industries. Average gross weekly and hourly earnings include overtime pay and premium wages for late-shift work. Attention is directed to the fact that these are not wage rates, but are averages of gross earnings. Data are preliminary and subject to change.

TABLE 4
MONTHLY WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ANALYSIS FOR SEPTEMBER (PRELIMINARY)
EMPLOYMENT IN THOUSANDS OF JOBS
--DATA NOT ADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY--

INDUSTRY TITLE	CURRENT MONTH	PREVIOUS MONTH	YEAR AGO	NUMERICAL CHANGE		PERCENT CHANGE	
	SEP87	AUG87	SEP86	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR	MONTH/MONTH	YEAR/YEAR
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	11747.6	11616.9	11380.9	130.7	366.7	1.1	3.2
MINING	39.5	40.0	40.6	-0.5	-1.1	-1.3	-2.7
METAL MINING	2.2	2.2	2.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	4.8
FUEL MINING	30.5	31.1	31.7	-0.6	-1.2	-1.9	-3.8
NONMETAL MINING	6.8	6.7	6.8	0.1	0.0	1.5	0.0
CONSTRUCTION	590.6	585.5	548.2	5.1	42.4	0.9	7.7
GENERAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS	158.4	157.0	146.2	1.4	12.2	0.9	8.3
HEAVY CONSTRUCTION	77.1	75.6	73.1	1.5	4.0	2.0	5.5
SPECIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS	355.1	352.9	328.9	2.2	26.2	0.6	8.0
MANUFACTURING	2113.7	2114.3	2090.2	-0.6	23.5	-0.0	1.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	684.5	688.8	669.4	-4.3	15.1	-0.6	2.3
FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	198.3	204.4	191.9	-6.1	6.4	-3.0	3.3
CANNED, CURED, FROZEN SEAFOODS	5.9	6.2	6.3	-0.3	-0.4	-4.8	-6.3
PRESERVED FRUITS & VEGETABLES	73.1	80.4	69.7	-7.3	3.4	-9.1	4.9
OTHER FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	119.3	117.8	115.9	1.5	3.4	1.3	2.9
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	15.4	15.3	15.0	0.1	0.4	0.7	2.7
APPAREL & OTHER TEXTILE PRODS	114.8	114.2	112.5	0.6	2.3	0.5	2.0
PAPER & ALLIED PRODUCTS	40.4	40.2	39.8	0.2	0.6	0.5	1.5
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	147.4	146.7	144.3	0.7	3.1	0.5	2.1
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS	65.6	65.9	64.0	-0.3	1.6	-0.5	2.5
PETROLEUM & COAL PRODUCTS	26.4	26.3	27.1	0.1	-0.7	0.4	-2.6
RUBBER & MISC PLASTIC PRODUCTS	68.8	68.5	67.3	0.3	1.5	0.4	2.2
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	7.4	7.3	7.5	0.1	-0.1	1.4	-1.3
DURABLE GOODS	1429.2	1425.5	1420.8	3.7	8.4	0.3	0.6
LUMBER & WOOD PROD EXC FURNITURE	65.7	65.4	62.4	0.3	3.3	0.5	5.3
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	57.9	57.4	57.9	0.5	0.0	0.9	0.0
STONE, CLAY & GLASS PRODUCTS	54.1	53.7	53.2	0.4	0.9	0.7	1.7
PRIMARY METAL INDUSTRIES	41.8	41.4	41.2	0.4	0.6	1.0	1.5
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	138.5	137.5	137.7	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.6
MACHINERY EXC ELECTRICAL	209.5	208.9	210.4	0.6	-0.9	0.3	-0.4
ELECTRICAL EQUIP & SUPPLIES	397.6	398.0	400.1	-0.4	-2.5	-0.1	-0.6
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	316.6	316.0	310.2	0.6	6.4	0.2	2.1
MOTOR VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT	35.4	35.7	32.7	-0.3	2.7	-0.8	8.3
AIRCRAFT AND PARTS	180.9	180.0	172.3	0.9	8.6	0.5	5.0
SHIP & BOAT BLDG & REPAIRING	13.8	13.6	15.0	0.2	-1.2	1.5	-8.0
GUIDED MISS, SPACE VEHICLES PTS	76.4	76.7	80.0	-0.3	-3.6	-0.4	-4.5
OTHER TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	10.1	10.0	10.2	0.1	-0.1	1.0	-1.0
INSTRUMENTS & RELATED PRODUCTS	112.5	112.7	112.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.1
MISC MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES	35.0	34.5	35.3	0.5	-0.3	1.4	-0.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	595.1	590.4	589.1	4.7	6.0	0.8	1.0
TRANSPORTATION	351.8	346.1	342.8	5.7	9.0	1.6	2.6
RAILROADS	21.2	21.4	21.8	-0.2	-0.6	-0.9	-2.8
TRUCKING AND WAREHOUSING	149.8	148.1	141.8	1.7	8.0	1.1	5.6
OTHER TRANSPORTATION	180.8	176.6	179.2	4.2	1.6	2.4	0.9
COMMUNICATIONS	159.2	159.9	162.4	-0.7	-3.2	-0.4	-2.0
ELECTRIC, GAS & SANITARY SERVICES	84.1	84.4	83.9	-0.3	0.2	-0.4	0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	2850.3	2832.3	2742.2	18.0	108.1	0.6	3.9
WHOLESALE TRADE	726.2	723.1	705.0	3.1	21.2	0.4	3.0
RETAIL TRADE	2124.1	2109.2	2037.2	14.9	86.9	0.7	4.3
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	249.2	247.0	236.3	2.2	12.9	0.9	5.5
FOOD STORES	293.8	290.6	286.9	3.2	6.9	1.1	2.4
OTHER RETAIL TRADE	1581.1	1571.6	1514.0	9.5	67.1	0.6	4.4
FINANCE INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	795.4	795.1	775.6	0.3	19.8	0.0	2.6
FINANCE	375.3	375.9	371.4	-0.6	3.9	-0.2	1.1
INSURANCE AGTS CARRIERS BRKRS	217.2	216.6	209.9	0.6	7.3	0.3	3.5
REAL ESTATE	183.3	182.9	175.3	0.4	8.0	0.2	4.6
COMB HOLDING & OTHER INVEST CO	19.6	19.7	19.0	-0.1	0.6	-0.5	3.2
SERVICES	2917.9	2895.6	2790.4	22.3	127.5	0.8	4.6
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	168.0	168.8	157.1	-0.8	10.9	-0.5	6.9
PERSONAL SERVICES	121.8	119.8	117.0	2.0	4.8	1.7	4.1
BUSINESS SERVICES	739.2	737.0	698.4	2.2	40.8	0.3	5.8
AUTO AND MISC REPAIR SERVICES	172.0	171.8	166.7	0.2	5.3	0.1	3.2
MOTION PICTURES	81.8	81.2	77.1	0.6	4.7	0.7	6.1
AMUSEMENT & RECREATION SERVICES	129.1	131.9	122.7	-2.8	6.4	-2.1	5.2
HEALTH SERVICES	703.4	701.0	679.5	2.4	23.9	0.3	3.5
OTHER SERVICES	802.6	784.1	771.9	18.5	30.7	2.4	4.0
GOVERNMENT	1845.1	1763.7	1804.6	81.4	40.5	4.6	2.2
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	347.2	348.4	341.6	-1.2	5.6	-0.3	1.6
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT	1497.9	1415.3	1463.0	82.6	34.9	5.8	2.4
COUNTY	241.0	247.0	236.8	-6.0	4.2	-2.4	1.8
CITY	207.7	215.8	201.8	-8.1	5.9	-3.8	2.9
EDUCATION	760.4	662.4	744.7	98.0	15.7	14.8	2.1
EDUCATION STATE	147.2	141.2	146.7	6.0	0.5	4.2	0.3
EDUCATION LOCAL	613.2	521.2	598.0	92.0	15.2	17.7	2.5
OTHER STATE & LOCAL	288.8	290.1	279.7	-1.3	9.1	-0.4	3.3
STATE EXC ED	191.5	192.0	185.1	-0.5	6.4	-0.3	3.5
SPECIAL DISTRICT	97.3	98.1	94.6	-0.8	2.7	-0.8	2.9
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	410.3	396.5	426.0	13.8	-15.7	3.5	-3.7

SOURCE: EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
EMPLOYMENT DATA AND RESEARCH DIVISION

TABLE 5

MONTHLY LABOR FORCE DATA FOR COUNTIES
AUGUST 1987

COUNTY	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
			NUMBER	PERCENT*
STATE TOTAL	13891500	13140600	750900	5.4
ALAMEDA	662400	630000	32400	4.9
ALPINE	375	350	25	7.5
AMADOR	9900	9425	475	4.8
BUTTE	67675	63175	4500	6.6
CALAVERAS	10275	9625	650	6.4
COLUSA	7950	7525	425	5.3
CONTRA COSTA	393400	374900	18500	4.7
DEL NORTE	7175	6475	700	9.8
EL DORADO	57300	55100	2200	3.8
FRESNO	309300	284200	25100	8.1
GLENN	10325	9225	1100	10.5
HUMBOLDT	47900	45000	2900	6.1
IMPERIAL	40350	28350	12000	29.7
INYO	7875	7500	375	4.7
KERN	225000	204800	20200	9.0
KINGS	31600	28900	2700	8.5
LAKE	19325	18000	1325	6.8
LASSEN	9225	8675	550	5.9
LOS ANGELES	4209000	3962000	247000	5.9
MADERA	36175	33375	2800	7.7
MARIN	126700	122800	3900	3.1
MARIPOSA	7725	7450	275	3.4
MENDOCINO	37275	35050	2225	6.0
MERCED	74775	69075	5700	7.6
MODOC	4125	3900	225	5.7
MONO	5075	4775	300	5.8
MONTEREY	155800	146100	9700	6.2
NAPA	55500	53200	2300	4.2
NEVADA	28125	26775	1350	4.8
ORANGE	1297900	1255900	42000	3.2
PLACER	71800	68600	3200	4.5
PLUMAS	8950	8350	600	6.7
RIVERSIDE	390800	362700	28100	7.2
SACRAMENTO	483300	458200	25100	5.2
SAN BENITO	18125	16675	1450	8.0
SAN BERNARDINO	511500	485400	26100	5.1
SAN DIEGO	1072500	1024200	48300	4.5
SAN FRANCISCO	407600	388300	19300	4.7
SAN JOAQUIN	191100	176100	15000	7.8
SAN LUIS OBISPO	87300	83600	3700	4.2
SAN MATEO	353200	342300	10900	3.1
SANTA BARBARA	180100	172200	7900	4.4
SANTA CLARA	869400	834200	35200	4.0
SANTA CRUZ	124200	118000	6200	5.0
SHASTA	54300	50000	4300	7.9
SIERRA	1600	1525	75	5.3
SISKIYOU	17850	16450	1400	7.8
SOLANO	132700	125300	7400	5.5
SONOMA	183600	175500	8100	4.4
STANISLAUS	154100	140300	13800	8.9
SUTTER	28350	26575	1775	6.3
TEHAMA	18375	16975	1400	7.6
TRINITY	5550	5175	375	6.9
TULARE	128450	116850	11600	9.0
TUOLUMNE	17725	16600	1125	6.3
VENTURA	336000	316300	19700	5.8
YOLO	67700	64100	3600	5.3
YUBA	20350	18650	1700	8.4

* NOTE: IMPERIAL COUNTY ESTIMATES ARE LOWER BEGINNING WITH THE JANUARY 1986 REPORT DUE TO A CHANGE IN METHOD OF ESTIMATING UNEMPLOYMENT.
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS BASED ON UNROUNDED DATA.
DATA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED.